

ABC New Multiple Entry Exams

ABC has developed a Multiple-Entry Exam. Currently, ABC's standardized exams are intended to be taken in sequence (i.e., the Level I exam is taken before the Level II and the II before the III and so on).

Many of the states using ABC exams, including Washington State, do not require the exams in their states to be taken in sequence. As a result, the concern is that if the exams are not taken in sequence, the examinee taking their first exam at the Group IV level will not have shown their competency at the Group I, II, and III levels.

In an attempt to better measure competency of those operators not required to take certification exams in sequence, the membership of ABC have asked that a standardized exam for each level of certification be developed that consists of core (need to know) questions along with level/group specific questions. This new exam is called a Multiple-Entry Exam.

What does this mean to you? For every exam after the Group I, there will be more questions and therefore, you will be allowed more time to take the exam. The Group II exam will contain 20 additional questions from the Group I exam; the Group III exam will contain 20 questions from the Group I and 30 questions from the Group II; and the Group IV exam will contain 20 questions from the Group I, 30 questions from the Group II and 30 questions from the Group III.

The exam and allotted time will be as follows:

Group I	100 questions	3 hours
Group II	120 questions	3 ½ hours
Group III	150 questions	4 ½ hours
Group IV	180 questions	5 ½ hours

